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SUBJ: CONFERENCE ON WEAPONS

REF: STATE 168714

1. AT MEETING TODAY (AUGUST 6) WITH PRESIDENT ICRC EXECUTIVE BOARD
ROGER GALLOPIN AND DIRECTOR ICRC LEGAL DIVISION CLAUDE PILLOUD
MISSOFF MADE POINTS CONTAINED REFTEL.
2. GALLOPIN CONFIRMED THAT MAJORITY OF RESPONSES FROM GOVERNMENTS
TO ICRC NOTE OF MAY 17 OPPOSED PRG PARTICIPATION IN UPCOMING
WEAPONS CONFERENCE AND THUS ICRC'S POLL ACCORDED WITH OUTCOME
OF VOTE ON PRG ISSUE IN DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE. GALLOPIN FURTHER
CONFIRMED THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH LANGUAGE OF ITS MAY 17 NOTE ICRC
WOULD NOT RPT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT REPLIES RECEIVED FROM
GOVERNMENTS AFTER JULY 31.
3. GALLOPIN STATED THAT WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS (PROBABLY EARLY NEXT
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WEEK) ICRC WOULD SEND NOTE TO GOVERNMENTS OFFICIALLY INFORMING

THEM OF FINAL RESULTS OF ICRC POLL. AS YET ICRC UNDECIDED
ABOUT PRESS RELEASED ON THIS SUBJECT.

4. MESSRS. GALLOPIN AND PILLOUD WERE PLEASE TO HEAR THAT ICRC'S
OFFICIAL STATEMENT TO EFFECT THAT PRG WILL NOT BE INVITED TO
WEAPONS CONFERENCE WILL REMOVE ALL DOUBT ABOUT USG
PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCE. THEY ALSO PLEASED TO HEAR THAT USG
IS ANXIOUS TO PROCEED WITH SUBSTANTIVE WORK ON CONFERENCE.

5. GALLOPIN STATED THAT ICRC IS BOUND AND DETERMINED TO PREVENT
POLITICAL DISCUSSION OF PRG ISSUE AT WEAPONS CONFERENCE. TO
ENSURE THIS, GALLOPIN SAID, ICRC INTENDS TO ASSUME CHAIRMAN-
SHIP OF THE CONFERENCE.

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